

ABSTRACT

In an elevator apparatus, a first driving machine having a first drive sheave and a second driving machine having a second drive sheave are disposed in an upper portion of a hoistway. A car and first and second counterweights are suspended inside the hoistway by a main rope body wound around the first and second drive sheaves. The car and the first and second counterweights are raised and lowered inside the hoistway by a driving force from the first and second driving machines.